

REMARKS

Claims 1-11 are pending. Claims 1-7 and 9-11 are withdrawn from consideration.

Applicants request reconsideration and allowance in view of the above amendments and the following remarks.

The drawings are objected to because Fig. 35 should be designated by a legend such as -- Prior Art --. In this regard, Applicants submit a concurrently filed Drawing Correction Authorization Request to amend FIG. 35. Proposed changes are shown in red and include the designation of Fig. 35 by the label --Related Art--. No new matter has been introduced by the present drawing changes since the proposed additions form part of the original disclosure. Applicants respectfully submit that the proposed drawing change overcomes the objection and respectfully request approval of the proposed drawing change.

The title of the application is objected to because it is not descriptive. The title is amended to “Two Body Multi-Purpose Information Processing Apparatus.” Applicants respectfully submit that the title as amended is descriptive of the presently claimed invention. Accordingly, Applicants submit that the objection is overcome.

The specification is objected to because on page 45, line 14, “further” should be -- Further --. Applicants have amended the specification to overcome this objection.

Claim 8 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as allegedly being anticipated by Ishii et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,265,083). Applicants respectfully traverse this rejection.

Claim 8 specifies a multi-purpose information processing apparatus having an information input section, an information processing section, an information display section, an information recording or reproducing section, and an opening/closing mechanism section. The multi-purpose information processing apparatus has first and second bodies. The first body has the information input section and the information recording or reproducing section arranged integrally, and the

opening/closing mechanism section arranged on a surface different from the information input section. The second body has the information display section.

The specification plainly describes how a multi-purpose information processing apparatus according to the claimed invention has a first body M100 and a second body M200. A dent section M13 and an opening/closing mechanism section M12, which can open and close the dent section M13, are provided on an outer surface of the first body M100. A recording medium loading section, which can allow an information storage medium to be loaded or unloaded, is constructed in the dent section M13. An information input section M20 is provided on an inner surface of the first body M100. An information recording/reproducing section is located under the loaded information storage medium. The information display section M21 is provided on an inner surface of the second body M200. More particularly, the first body M100 has the information input section M20 and the information recording or reproducing section arranged integrally, and the opening/closing mechanism section M12 arranged on a surface different from the information input section M20, and the second body has the information display section M21 (see page 21, line 26, to page 23, line 22), as claim 8 requires.

On the other hand, Ishii et al. discloses a portable disc player 1 which includes a player main body portion 2, a middle cover 7, and an outer cover 15. Ishii et al. describes how the player main body portion 2 includes an optical pickup 20 which reproduces recording signals from a loaded information storage medium 21 (col. 8, lines 10-11). Ishii et al. also describes how the middle cover 7 covers the upper surface sided of the player main body portion 2. Ishii et al. also describes how the disclosed portable disc player 1 uses an X-Y device 11 and trigger buttons 12a and 12b as an input device, and provides the input device on the middle cover 7 (see col. 4, lines 63-64; col. 7, lines 65-66; Figs. 2 and 3). In other words, the X-Y device 11 and trigger buttons 12a and 12b (e.g., the input device) and the optical pickup 20 (e.g., the information reproducing section) are **not arranged integrally**, and the middle cover 7 (e.g., the opening/closing mechanism section) is arranged on the

same surface, and not on a surface different from the X-Y device 11 and trigger buttons 12a and 12b (e.g., the input device), as claim 8 requires.

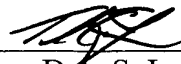
In view of the foregoing, it is clear that the claimed multi-purpose information processing apparatus is different from the portable disc player shown in Ishii et al. In order to establish a *prima facie* case of anticipation, the Examiner must show that each and every element of a rejected claim is taught by the cited art. [Ishii et al. does not teach or reasonably suggest a multi-purpose information processing apparatus having first and second bodies, wherein the first body has an information input section and an information recording or reproducing section arranged integrally, and an opening/closing mechanism section arranged on a surface different from the information input section, and wherein the second body has the information display section, as required by Claim 8.]

Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration and withdrawal of this rejection of Claim 8 under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by Ishii et al.

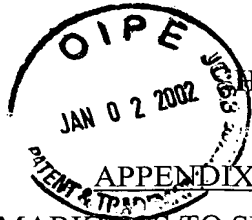
Applicants respectfully submit that Claim 8 is in condition for allowance, which action is requested.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the claims by the current amendment. The attached Appendix is captioned "Version with markings to show changes made."

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VERSION WITH MARKINGS TO SHOW CHANGES MADE

IN THE DRAWINGS:

FIG. 35 will be amended as indicated in the concurrently filed Drawing Change Authorization Request.

IN THE TITLE:

The title was amended as follows:

TWO BODY [INFORMATION STORAGE MEDIUM HAVING MULTIPLE INFORMATION LAYERS AND] MULTI-PURPOSE INFORMATION PROCESSING APPARATUS

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

On page 45, lines 1-17, the paragraph beginning “By way of contrast, the RAM area of the information storage medium ...” was amended as follows:

(Amended) By way of contrast, the RAM area of the information storage medium of this invention is in a blank state and does not have information about the general addresses. Further, Jpn. Pat. Appln. KOKAI Publication No. 161404/1998 describes a logical sector number setting method for a partial ROM disk which has a ROM section and rewritable section in the same layer. But, as the ROM section in the same layer has address setting information in this information medium structure, it is easy to affix a logical sector number and processing takes place within quite the same layer, so that this method substantially differs from the one that handles a recording layer which has no information about the general addresses. [further] Further, this publication uses FAT as a file system and needs the optimal logical sector number setting method for UDF (Universal Disk Format) that is used for DVD-RAM/ROM.

End of Appendix

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